

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 1-12 and 14-30 are currently pending, although claims 16-19 and 27-30 have been withdrawn from consideration. Upon indication of allowable subject matter, Applicants currently intend to seek rejoinder of withdrawn claims as appropriate.

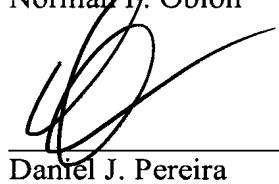
Claim 1 is amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of Claim 31 (see Action at page 10). No new matter is added.

In view of this amendment, the rejections citing Ogino and Boire and separately citing Doushita are no longer applicable and can be withdrawn.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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